

TOWN OF HERNDON

Enriching the Quality of Life and Promoting a Sense of Community



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**8th ANNUAL COMMUNITY DAY & HOUSING FAIR
CELEBRATES STRONG SENSE OF COMMUNITY IN HERNDON**
Event Kicks Off Town-Wide Neighborhood Celebration Month

Herndon, VA (April 16, 2008) – An eclectic blend of performers, children's and nature programs, foods to satisfy all tastes and 500-plus attendees all come together at the 8th annual Community Day and Housing Fair, to be held on **Saturday, May 3 from noon until 4pm at the Herndon Neighborhood Resource Center (NRC)**, located at 1086 Elden Street in the Dulles Park Shopping Center.

The event, a celebration of the strong sense of community evident in the Town of Herndon, marks the beginning of Neighborhood Celebration Month in the Town. Throughout the month of May, neighborhoods will be hosting community block parties, yard sales and other events to bring people together in the spirit of community and neighborliness.

The Community Day celebration showcases the many programs and services available at the NRC, from educational programs and computer classes to community building activities, crime prevention training, community services programs and much more.

A full slate of performers is scheduled throughout the afternoon to include Skip Chaple's "Guitars not Guns" Performance Team (**noon**); Betty Warner's Cloggers (**12:30pm**); local singing sensation Emma Bailey (**1pm**); Neo Legend Tigers Tae Kwon Do (**1:30pm**);

Multicultural Dancers from Herndon High School (**2pm**); the Boyle School's Irish Step Team (**2:30pm**); Herndon Middle School's Step Team and Urban Dance Team (**3pm**); and the folk rock band Huckleberry (**3:30pm**).

A housing fair will be held in conjunction with the festivities. Information for first time homebuyers, with an emphasis on the homebuying process and establishing credit as well as home maintenance and improvement, will be offered. Information will also be available regarding "Herndon in Bloom," the Town of Herndon's homeowner maintenance and upkeep initiative.

Activities for children throughout the day include face painting, games, a nature tent complete with reptiles, a "video wall" with the latest games and more.

For more information on the 8th annual Community Day & Housing Fair, visit www.herndon-va.gov and click on the Community Day link off of the homepage, or contact the Neighborhood Resource Center at 703/435-6830.

The Town of Herndon was incorporated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia on January 14, 1879. Located in western Fairfax County, Herndon is the 3rd largest town in the Commonwealth and is home to more than 23,000 citizens. Businesses located within the Town of Herndon, which range from high tech enterprises to entrepreneurially-owned establishments, employ approximately 23,500 people.

For more information, visit the Town's website at www.herndon-va.gov.

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